

not bragging for we ought to have done more, and we know of churches that did do more. But we are poor here. Where did we get it? Why bless you, down in the pockets of a few good people who love Jesus, and consider giving as a blessed privilege.

L. S. BAUMAN.

Communion Notice

The Valley Brethren church, Jones' Mills, Pa., will hold their communion Saturday evening, Dec. 24. All are cordially invited to be with us.

MARCUS A. WITTER.

Montour, Iowa

Being called Nov. 28th, to New Virginia, Iowa to conduct the funeral of Wm. I. Thomas, I remained with the brethren until Dec. 5th, preaching every evening, also Sunday at 11 o'clock. We trust that some good impressions were made that will tell in the near future. It is in this church as it is in a good many others, their ministers are growing old, some are passing away. This is especially the case at this place. Bro. I. J. Thomas who has labored for years is now growing old and there ought to be some one younger to help him to carry on the work at this place Brethren, let us pray the Lord to send laborers into his vineyard and let us be also like Isaiah, say, Lord, here am I, send me.

FETTER HALL.

Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

The little band of brethren at this place are laboring on in a quiet way. Services are held here every two weeks. At the meeting, Dec. 4th, we organized under the name Bethel Brethren church, Mt. Pleasant. Heretofore there have been four organizations represented. We are one, not only in organization but (we trust) also in purpose and in Christian love. We trust that this organization will be a great aid to the cause of Christ at this place.

MARCUS A. WITTER.

Milford, Ind.

As my pen has been silent for some time I will write some news about our work here at Milford. We are moving along nicely now, the church is in good working order.

Our protracted meeting will begin on New Year's eve. We expect a good meeting, with the prayers of God's people and love for Christ and the church we will have God be our helper. We are poor, weak mortals without his divine guidance. God has been so good to us through the year that has passed and gone with its opportunities for doing good. If we have done any good we give God the glory. If he spares us we will try to do better.

Our Sunday school is improving. We have a pretty good attendance, considering the inclement weather.

Our Sister's Society is still at work. Last year they paid fifty dollars to the pastor and made up some back money. Their income last year was one hundred and twenty-three

dollars. They helped in so many ways. This year they pledge themselves to pay one hundred dollars to the pastor. God being our helper we will come out all right. We have twenty-three members in the society now, we have a Junior Society of seventeen members. They are doing nicely. They have a mission box to put their pennies in to help along the cause of Christ. Their little hearts are in the work. We have a singing class for the little folks and older folks, too.

Our communion last month was good. So many old people were present. It was a grand sight to me as well as inspiring to the soul. After while we will meet around our Father's table over yonder. What a happy meeting that will be.

Last Tuesday some twelve persons came over from Gravelton to be baptized in the baptistery by Brother Marks. Many souls are being brought to Christ. May he bless and keep us while he can use us to his glory and our good. God being my helper I want to do his will.

Now a word about your paper. It is very helpful to me. I will try and get others to take the paper. We wish the EVANGELIST and all its readers God's choicest blessings. Winter is upon us now, but may we be filled with the love of Christ to make us active about our Father's work. The harvest is great but the laborers are few.

MRS. W. J. ORN.

Waterloo, Iowa

Having been requested by our pastor to write for the EVANGELIST concerning our church at Enon, I will write the following. Our pastor Rev. J. L. Gillen is at the present time holding a revival meeting at Falls City, Neb., and during his absence the pulpit was filled by Rev. Eli Hoover. King's Children had a program which was interesting and well attended. On next Sunday, Dec. 11, Prof. Walters of the Iowa State Normal will fill the pulpit. The last heard from our pastor he had nine converts.

A MEMBER.

Remember, your own soul must be illuminated before you can help others; the spring does not brim over with refreshing waters that has not a hidden source.

Our Dead

HINER—Catherine Neher Hiner was born in Augusta county, Virginia, December 22, 1820; died October 27, 1898; aged 77 years, 10 months and 5 days.

Deceased was married to David H. Hiner Nov. 7, 1837. This union was blessed with eight children, six boys and two girls. Of these two died in infancy and two at mature years. The latter were John and Sarah. Mr. Hiner died several years ago. There are only four of the family left to mourn their loss, three of whom were at the funeral.

Mrs. Hiner had united with German Baptist church in 1842, maintaining her church relation there until in 1872, when she saw fit

to change to the Brethren church, where she held her membership at the time of her death. In her demise the community loses one of its oldest citizens; the church one of its charter members and the children their affectionate mother.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Fox of the Mt. Pleasant Brethren church.

ZIMMERMAN—Joseph Zimmermann died in New Virginia, Iowa, Sept. 30, 1898. He was born in Wittenburg, Germany, Dec. 31, 1821, being 76 years, 9 months and 29 days old at his death. Mr. Zimmermann came to this country when 12 years of age. In 1841 he was married to Barbara Thomas. To them were born ten children, seven of whom survive him, the mother dying about a year ago. For forty years uncle Joe has been a faithful member of the Brethren church, and always willing to do his duty. He was well liked and respected, and he has lived in this community since 1881. The end came so peacefully and so quietly that the watchers scarcely knew when the end came. The funeral was conducted from the Brethren church Sunday at 11 A. M. by Brother Flora, Dallas Center, Ia., attended by many of his old friends and neighbors who assembled to pay the last sad respects to the dead uncle Joe. His remains were laid here in the grave yard beside aunt Barbara, his wife, to await the final summons.

FETTER HALL.

Matrimonial

ARMSTRONG—MILLER.—On November 8, 1898, at Somerset, Pa., by the undersigned, Mr. Laban B. Armstrong, of Midland, Va., and sister Minnie Miller, of Addison, Pa.

JOHN H. KNEPPER.

Meyersdale, Pa.

MOSELEY—CUNNINGHAM—In the Loree congregation, at the residence of the bride's parents, near Loree, Ind., on Nov. 19, 1898, John E. Moseley and Ada G. Cunningham, in the presence of the near relatives of the two contracting parties. Sister Ada has been our faithful organist ever since we have been pastor of the church, and we had it in the contract she should continue. May this union be a long and prosperous one. Peace and happiness attend them along their way is our prayer.

D. A. HOPKINS.

SCHROCK—LANDIS—Main street, Meyersdale, Pa., Nov. 23, 1898, Mr. Irvin Schrock and sister Nettie Landis, daughter of brother and sister Peter Landis. May a kind providence lead them through life is our benediction.

JOHN H. KNEPPER.

Meyersdale, Pa.

HANAWALT—STUTZMAN.—Married at the residence of the undersigned, on